

320 So. Detroit Ave.
Toledo, Ohio
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Mr. Abe Manley
101 Montgomery Ave.
Newark, N.J.

Dear Mr. Manley:

Our club just returned home from playing the Grays. They left with a bout \$50. 00 and returned with 17 cents for a game in Wheeling on Monday night and three games on July 4, two in Braddock and one in Forbes Field. They traveled all night coming home from Pittsburgh because they did not have enough money with them for rooms and could not reach me by wire or phone.

I guess our boys were really up against it, but as usual it does no good to protest anything the Grays or Philadelphia do.

What money we did have coming the Grays just kept. They took \$143.00 which they claimed Williams owed them and \$89.43 which they claimed Dukes owed them. Williams protested he did not owe the Grays all that money and Sonnyman Jackson promptly laid a sucker punch in his face. I think that is rather high-handed. What do you think?

Gottlieb continues to use Hairston, the boy who stole \$ 45.00 from us and I am rather surprised I did not hear from you in this matter.

"C" Posey offered Crutchfield \$100.00 cash and an increase in salary to jump our club and join the Grays. He also tried to get Dukes to jump us. Charleston tells me that "C" always fronts for "Sonnyman" and "Cum".

Also Parker and Benjamin have jumped the Grays. They wanted to come back to Toledo with us but I wired Charleston that if he couldn't get them legally to forget it. Today I received wires from both informing me they were going to Chicago if they didn't come here. I wired Major Jackson seeking his counsel in the matter.

The Grays raised hell right in here Sunday. Josh Gibson called the umpire the vilest kind of names and refused to leave the field even when police ordered him out. The fans were even on the field. Finally the police sent in a riot call and they rushed ten officers out. It was the worst trouble we ever experienced here.

Knowing both you and Mrs. Manley as I do I am sure you do not approve of the tactics Gottlieb and the Grays persistently use.